

BRADDOCK DISTRICT COUNCIL NEWS

March 2006

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Braddock District Council Meetings

Annual County Budget Briefing
March 14, 2006, 7:30 p.m.

BDC Community Association Workshop

March 29, 2006 6 - 9:30 p.m.

Braddock District Meeting Hall
9002 Burke Lake Road
Burke, VA 22015
(703)-425-9300

Braddock District Council Future Meeting Dates:

Tuesday, March 14 – County Budget Presentation/
Proposed Communication Program

Wednesday, March 29 – CA/HOA Workshop

Tuesday, April 11 – Workshop Eval/Review;
By-Laws/Communication Program

Tuesday, May 9 – GMU/NVCC/PA/FCPS
Capital Improvements

Tuesday, June 13 - General Membership

Tuesday, July 11 – Picnic/BOB Award

Message from the Chair

I am encouraged in the belief that romance isn't dead! Valentine's Day celebrations with family, spouses, and significant others trumped our February BDC. Rather than have only a handful of attendees, we opted to cancel the meeting. Instead, we'll concentrate on our March and April meetings and especially on the March 29 Community Association Workshop.

On March 14, we will have as a primary topic a presentation by **Susan Datta**, Fairfax County's Director of the Office of Management and Budget, on the **County Budget**. **Bruce Wallachy** will end the meeting with a discussion of the Council's **proposed communication program**. In **April**, our topics will include a **Workshop Evaluation and Review**, **By-Laws** discussion and recommendations, and adoption of an approved **Communication Program**.

This year's **Community Association Workshop** will take place on **Wednesday, March 29, 2006** beginning at **6:00 p.m.** and ending at **9:30 p.m.** The workshop will take place at the **Kings Park Library and Braddock Hall on Burke Lake Road**.

The **agenda** is as follows:

6:00 to 6:30 p.m.	Registration and light supper
6:30 to 7:00 p.m.	Opening Session
7:00 to 7:45 p.m.	First Round of Breakout Sessions
8:00 to 8:45 p.m.	Second Round of Breakout Sessions
9:00 to 9:30 p.m.	Plenary Session and Reports from the Breakout Groups

There will be **three topics** discussed at this workshop in **four different workshops**. As was done last year, **attendees** will be able to **participate** in **two of the four workshops**.

The four breakout sessions are:

- A. Storm Water Facilities: Liability and Maintenance. Speakers: David Bobzien, Fairfax County Attorney and Don Lacquement, Engineer III, Stormwater Planning Division, Department of Public Works and Environmental Services***
- B. Storm Water Facilities: Enhancement, Aesthetics, and Environmental Protection. Speakers: Steve Aitcheson, Acting Chief, Watershed Projects Implementation Branch, Department of Public Works and Environmental Services; Michael P. Knapp, Director, Urban Forestry Division, Department of Public Works and Environmental Services; and Michael Rolband, President, Wetland Studies***
- C. Liabilities and Maintenance Associated with Community Amenities (pools, tennis courts, and open spaces). Speakers--Laurie L. Dolson, Law Offices of Laurie L. Dolson, P.C. and John Yeatman, Fairfax County Department of Health***
- D. Engaging the Diverse Populations in Your Community. Speakers: Angie Carerra, Fairfax County Language Liaison and Brent Reynolds, President, Ravensworth Farm Community Association***

A registration form is included with this newsletter. I urge you to register early. Our space is limited.

Associations are urged to bring as many members of their boards or membership as are interested and especially to bring those whose activities or responsibilities involve the workshop topics.

Each breakout session will have a moderator to help get the sessions started and ended on time; note-takers will also be appointed to help compile the report for the Plenary Session at the workshop's conclusion.

I look forward to hearing from you!

Janyce Hedetniemi, Chair
Braddock District Council

Braddock District Council Officers

Chair, Janyce Hedetniemi
Vice-Chair, Jeff Nolan
Treasurer, Ivan Dietrich
Recording Secretary, Colin Campbell
Communications Chair, Bruce Wallachy

Registration

You are encouraged to pre-register by using the following form. Please fill it out and send it by e-mail to Braddock@Fairfaxcounty.gov. If you choose, you may send it by regular mail to the Braddock District Office or you can register by calling the office at 703-425-9300. RSVP to Ms. Fullmer. You also can register with me directly at JanyceNH@cox.net or by calling me at 703-978-8095.

Braddock District Council Community Association Workshop

Wednesday, March 29, 2006

6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Name:

Organization or Neighborhood Association:

If you are an Officer or Board Member, please indicate your title:

Home address:

E-mail:

Daytime phone number:

Work phone number:

Please indicate your selection of breakout session(s). If there are more than two, please place your selections in priority. We will do our best to ensure that you can participate in your selected session(s).

- ☐ A. Storm Water Facilities: Liabilities and Maintenance
- ☐ B. Storm Water Facilities: Enhancement, Aesthetics, and Environmental Protection
- ☐ C. Liabilities and Maintenance Associated with Community Amenities (pools, tennis courts, and open spaces)
- ☐ D. Engaging the Diverse Populations in Your Community

SUPERVISOR BULOVA'S CORNER

- **Burke Centre Library Time Capsule!**

Ground will be broken this winter for the first phase of the **Burke Centre Library**, to be located at the intersection of the Fairfax County Parkway and Fred's Oak Rd. If everything goes according to schedule, we should be celebrating a Ribbon Cutting by spring of 2008. While we're waiting, my office, along with *Friends of the Burke Centre Library*, is planning for a **Time Capsule** that will be inserted into the cornerstone of the new building. Already a newly formed Executive Committee, chaired by *Friends* chairman Pat Reidinger, has begun brainstorming about materials that could be installed in the time capsule, which will be opened thirty years from the date of the Ribbon Cutting. Some ideas include:

A student essay contest – "What will the world be like in 2038?"

Photos of the Burke area today

Brief histories of the Silas Burke House and other historic buildings in the area

Would you be interested in serving on the Burke Centre Library Time Capsule Committee? Please contact my office (703 425-9300 or braddock@fairfaxcounty.gov) if you would like to participate in this exciting opportunity! The committee will hold its first **Orientation Meeting on May 10th, 7:30 PM in Braddock Hall (adjacent to the Kings Park Library).** I look forward to seeing you there!

- **Braddock District Budget Briefing – March 14th, 7:30 PM.**

A Braddock District Council "staple" is the annual Fairfax County Budget briefing for *all* interested residents of the Braddock District. This briefing is hosted jointly by my office and the BDC. *Anyone* wanting to learn about the County's Advertised FY 2007 Budget is welcome and encouraged to attend this briefing on **March 14th, at 7:30 PM in Braddock Hall** (adjacent to the Kings Park Library on Burke Lake Road). Susan Datta, Director of Fairfax County Management & Budget will present the briefing and provide materials. **Please help us to get the word out about this opportunity to residents of your community.**

- **More Going on!**

There's lots more going on! See inside this issue of the BDC Newsletter for information about the opening of ***Braddock Glen***, a brand new County owned Assisted Living and Adult Day Care Facility under construction right now on Olley Lane near Little River Turnpike. The Assisted Living Facility will be operated by Sunrise, and the Adult Day Care Center will be run by the County's Health Department. We will be cutting the ribbon for Braddock Glen on **Saturday, May 13th**. For information about eligibility and programs offered, you can call the Sunrise marketing office via Little River Glen at 703-425-3535.

Also inside this issue of the BDC Newsletter is the 2006 Nomination Form for our **Best of Braddock (BOB) Award Program**. The deadline for BOB nominations to be received in my Braddock District office is **May 22nd**. Positive actions and good works are contagious. Please take the time to nominate an individual, club or organization, public employee, or business that has really made a difference in our community.

Lastly, the **Braddock District Council Community Workshop** scheduled **for March 29th** is shaping up to be a very valuable experience for community leaders. Experts from the County and from private industry will be on hand to discuss some of the very issues you may be struggling with. Registration will begin at 6 PM and a light supper will be provided. Please help to get the word out about this workshop to members of your board, community association committee members, etc. I look forward to seeing you there!

Sincerely,

Sharon Bulova

BEST OF BRADDOCK AWARDS
(THE WORLD FAMOUS BOB'S)
Deadline for Nominations May 22, 2006

A joint Braddock District Council/Braddock District Supervisor Program to recognize those citizens, organizations and businesses of the Braddock District who have gone above and beyond to be the very best.

Name of Nominee

Organization (if Applicable)

Address

Phone:

E-mail

Category:

- A. Braddock District Citizen of the Year
- B. Braddock District Young Person of the Year
- C. Neighborhood Enhancement or Beautification in the Braddock District
☐ Individual Homeowner ☐ Community Association
- D. Commercial Beautification or Improvement in the Braddock District
☐ Landscaping ☐ Building Appearance ☐ Clean-Up ☐ Other
- E. Most "Can-Do" Public Employee Working on Issues in the Braddock District
☐ Federal ☐ State ☐ Local

F. Most Outstanding Business Person in the Braddock District:

G. Club or Organization Really Making a Difference in the Braddock District:

Nature of work or accomplishment.
Give as much detail as possible including any relevant, statistics and dates.

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COMING SOON ... BRADDOCK GLEN ASSISTED LIVING CENTER

Join us on Saturday, May 13th, at 10:30 a.m. for the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony celebrating the grand opening of the Braddock Glen Assisted Living Center at 4027 Olley Lane in Fairfax (adjacent to Little River Glen). Braddock Glen is scheduled to open its doors for its new residents following the ceremony.

Sunrise Senior Living will operate the assisted living facility for Fairfax County. The Sunrise Marketing Office for Braddock Glen is located in the Senior Center at Little River Glen. Please call 703-425-3535 with any questions.

The Fairfax County Health Department will operate a new adult day health care center in the same facility. For enrollment information, please contact Jennifer Robinson at 703-734-1718.

See you at the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony!

Zoning Ordinance Amendment Proposal

Staff of the Fairfax County Zoning Administration Division will conduct a Public Information Meeting on Monday, March 20, 2006 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. in Conference Rooms 4/5 of the Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, Virginia. The purpose of this meeting is to present and discuss draft standards for a proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment that would allow for a reduction of minimum yard requirements (setbacks) of up to 50% pursuant to a special permit application. It is anticipated that a draft of the standards would be available on line at

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/projects/minyard.htm> or for pick up at 12055 Government Center Parkway, Suite 807, Fairfax, Virginia by not later than March 10, 2006.

COMING SOON TO WAKEFIELD RECREATION CENTER ...

There's a new farmers market coming to town! Beginning in May of 2006, the Wakefield Recreation Center will begin its new venture, and they're excited about it!

Come one, come all to the marketplace – every Wednesday from 2:30 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. – for freshly picked and locally grown produce, delicious baked goods, and a potpourri of other colorful and mouth watering open air market products.



**SPECIAL BRIEFING
By
FAIRFAX COUNTY BUDGET STAFF
For
BRADDOCK DISTRICT RESIDENTS
On the
FISCAL YEAR 2007
FAIRFAX COUNTY BUDGET**

**Tuesday, March 14th
7:30 P.M.**

**LOCATION:
Supervisor Bulova's Braddock Hall
(Adjacent to the Kings Park Library)
9002 Burke Lake Road, Burke VA**

All are welcome!

Braddock District to Host Tax Relief Workshops for Seniors on March 23 and April 13

Braddock District seniors are invited to attend workshops on how to apply for real estate tax relief on Thursday, March 23, and/or Thursday, April 13, at Braddock Hall, 9002 Burke Lake Road, Burke. Personnel from the county's Department of Tax Administration will be on hand from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to help eligible seniors apply for tax relief.

Fairfax County provides real estate tax relief to residents who are either 65 or older or who have permanent and total disabilities. The recent change to the Real Estate Tax Relief Program for the Elderly and Disabled increased the net combined financial asset eligibility requirement to the state maximum of \$340,000 for those who meet the age, disability, and income requirements and increased the income limit to the fixed state maximum of \$72,000.

For more information about the workshop, please call Diane Thompson at 703-425-9300, TTY 711. Seniors looking for more information about real estate tax relief or an application can call the Department of Tax Administration at 703-222-8234, TTY 703-222-7594, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. weekdays. Tax relief applications also are available online at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dta/pdf_files/2005taxrelief.pdf, and an affidavit of disability, for those who need one, can be found at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dta/pdf_files/affidavitofdisability.pdf.